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The President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform 1440 New York Avenue NW Suite 2100 Washington, DC 20220

Dear Panel Members:

Capital losses in excess of capital gains can be used to offset up to \$3,000.00 of ordinary income. This figure has remained the same for many, many years.

Please consider raising this offset to a more realistic level. My suggestion would be a \$10,000.00 ordinary income offset going forward.

Very truly yours,

John E. Magee